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To: <u>districtmanager@brooklyncb6.org</u>

Cc: <u>Tsiamis, Christos; Mugdan, Walter; Loney, Natalie</u>

Subject: Re: Gowanus Follow-up

Date: Tuesday, August 04, 2015 8:51:47 AM

Craig,

Hope you are well.

Thanks for the email and presentation.

As you might imagine, EPA is still in the process of evaluating the City's draft reports - we have a number of questions and concerns, including some of the City's cost and timing assumptions. For the sake of brevity, the City's presentation rather simplifies some of the components, such as the size and location of the CSO tank "headhouse."

We are also awaiting a final DEC cleanup decision for the former Fulton MGP cleanup. EPA is considering assuming a lead agency role for certain parts of that work to take advantage of Superfund's stronger provisions. This in turn could allow dredging and tank construction to proceed more quickly.

Following Christos' return, we will be in a better position to figure out when we will be able to meet with the many very interested stakeholders like CB6 and pretty much everyone.

As always, we will continue to gather and exchange information with everyone involved so that we all end up with the best outcome and the least number of impacts.

We'll be in touch in the near future. In the meantime, if you have any specific questions, please feel free to call me.

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Sent: Monday, August 3, 2015 4:17 PM

To: Carr, Brian

Subject: fw: Gowanus Follow-up

Hi Brian--

Christos' auto-responder listed you as his contact for while he's away so I thought I'd bounce a copy of this invitation over to you.

Hope all is well.

Best, Craig

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From: "Craig R. Hammerman" < districtmanager@brooklyncb6.org>

Sent: Monday, August 03, 2015 4:13 PM

To: mugdan.walter@epa.gov, tsiamis.christos@epa.gov

Subject: fw: Gowanus Follow-up

Hi Walter and Christos--

After having heard from the EPA at our Executive Committee meeting last Tuesday night about the relative impacts associated with the citing of the retention tanks at the Gowanus, our committee is interested in meeting with you or your representatives to talk more about this. We are especially interested in the decision-making process that EPA faces now, given the City's responses, and how this particular decision will be made as it stands to impact the community in a variety of ways.

Attached please find a copy of the presentation that DEP/Parks made to us so that you'll know what information we've been given.

At our meeting, it was reported that the EPA will be making this decision "sometime this Fall" so we would appreciate an opportunity for this discussion to take place beforehand. Our next Executive Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for 6:30pm on Tuesday, September 8th, location to be determined. Please let me know if you or your representative will be able to attend to discussion this matter in greater detail.

Also, since it has been awhile since we've heard from the EPA, by all means do feel free to include any other pertinent updates within your presentation. Our liaison to the CAG has been quite excellent in reporting back to us on the CAG-related activities. But unlike all of the other CAG members, as a City agency the Community Board has a different and public mandate when it comes to local planning and decisions such as the citing of the retention tanks is an important matter with consequences for us to

consider.

Thanks for your attention. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best, Craig

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From: "Landau, Eric" < ELandau@dep.nyc.gov> Sent: Monday, August 03, 2015 3:55 PM

To: "Hammerman, Craig" < districtmanager@BrooklynCB6.org>

Subject: Gowanus Follow-up

Craig,

Thanks again for taking the time to speak with me today about the Gowanus presentation last week. As discussed, please find attached a copy of the presentation. We look forward to hearing additional questions or next steps from the Community Board after you meet with EPA.

Best, Eric

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